

University of Alberta Students' Union

STUDENTS' COUNCIL LATE ADDITIONS

Tuesday September 14, 2004 – 6:00 p.m.
Council Chambers 2-1 University Hall

2004-11/5

PRESENTATIONS

2004-11/5a

'Council Evolution' presented by Gregory Harlow.

Please see document LA 04-11.01

2004-11/6

REPORTS

2004-11/6c

Lisa McLaughlin, Vice President (Academic)

Please see document LA 04-11.02

2004-11/6d

Duncan Taylor, Vice President (Student Life)

Please see document LA 04-11.03

2004-11/6e

Alvin Law, Vice President (Operations and Finance)

Please see document LA 04-11.04

2004-11/7

QUESTION PERIOD

2004-11/7d

KNISELY – Question for the President: As a follow up from the motion last meeting, to what extent is the Students' Union committed to continuing to provide this service? More specifically, is there a subsisting agreement between the Students' Union and any of Ancillary Services, the University of Alberta, or ARAMARK that would restrict the Students' Union's ability to discontinue the service? If there is, what are the particulars of the agreement?

BLATZ - Thank you for the question Mr. Speaker. The Students' Union is very committed to continue providing the service mentioned by Councillor Knisely. However, ARAMARK and the Students' Union have discussed a termination agreement to our contract that would allow ARAMARK or the Students' Union to terminate the agreement with proper notice and depending on timing, compensation. I should note that ARAMARK is drafting the aforementioned agreement and the Students' Union will sign off on it shortly. However, I will be happy to mention the terms that we discussed. First of all, either ARAMARK or the SU will be able to communicate their desire to terminate the agreement with 90 days notice. However, as to not disrupt either organization, the actual termination will not take place until it is convenient and reasonable to do so, for example, at the end of a particular semester and not in the middle. If the Students' Union pulls out, we will lose our investment in the project (ie. The money that we approved last meeting). If ARAMARK pulls out, ARAMARK will pay the SU for the unamortized portion of the SU's investment. The agreement is a three-year agreement and therefore the amortization will occur on a straight-line basis over three years. I hope that answers the question.

2004-11/7g

KEHOE - Mr. Kotovych. I notice that you are making libelous statements about Mr. Wicentowich, specifically about the mistreatment of women. Is this an attempt to sabotage a potential opponent to your Presidential campaign?

2004-11/7h

SAMUEL - For the Vice President (Student Life). I was wondering if he could give clarification regarding the Molson sponsorship of Orientation, Week of Welcome and the Students' Union in general. From what this councilor understands, there was a verbal agreement that required Molson to provide prizes for our events, which Molson declined to honor. Can the VPSL comment on this, and how it will affect our relationship with Molson?

Please see document LA 04-11.05

2004-11/7i

KNISELY - Question for the Vice President (Operations and Finance): How will meal card access impact the pricing strategy at SU businesses?

2004-11/7j

WICENTOWICH – Question for Vice President Abboud. Could you give some insight into the Confederation of Alberta Faculty Associations (CAFA), how they are helping CAUS or the U of A, and whether U of A Faculty Associations should know about such an organization?

ABBOUD - The Confederation of Alberta Faculty Associations (CAFA) is a professional organization that represents faculty members at the University of Alberta (including Augustana Faculty, which was a member when it remained a separate institution), Athabasca University, and the University of Lethbridge. According to their website, their mandate is to promote the quality of education in the province, and to promote the well-being of Alberta Universities and their academic staff. CAFA is part of a coalition campaign with CAUS, along with the Alberta Graduate Council (AGC), the Alberta College and Technical Institute Student Executive Council (ACTISEC), and the Alberta College-Institute Faculty Association (ACIFA), that represents 200,000 post-secondary students and staff members. The groups came together to run an advertising campaign during the upcoming provincial election aimed at raising the awareness of post-secondary related issues, primarily the lack of operating funding, in the public eye. CAFA, like every other member of the coalition, is providing financial resources, and has had input into the development of the campaign and its messaging. I can only assume that the Association of Academic Staff: University of Alberta (AAS:UA) is aware of CAFA. The organization has no formal ties to the student Faculty Associations at the U of A.

2004-11/9

BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

2004-11/9d

MOTION BY LAW, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee adopt the September 13, 2004 Budget Committee Report.

Please see document LA 04-11.06
Please see document LA 04-11.07

2004-11/9e

Student Life Board Report on Undergraduate Health Care Plan

Please see document LA 04-11.08

2004-11/12

NEW BUSINESS

2004-11/12h

MOTION BY KNISELY, RESOLVED THAT the Tribune Selection Committee report to Students' Council nominations of tribunes to serve on the Discipline, Interpretation and Enforcement Board not later than September 28, 2004.

2004-11/12i

MOTION BY KNISELY, RESOLVED THAT Students' Council delete the fifth paragraph and the words "and contribution to institutional revenues" from the seventh paragraph of the Board of Governors Political Policy Statement.

Please see document LA 04-11.09

2004-11/14

INFORMATION ITEMS

2004-11/14d

Letter to Students' Council from Karen Ross, President, Lister Hall Association.

Please see document LA 04-11.10

2004-11/14e

Letter to Students' Council from Lisa Dockmen, Food Ombudsperson,
Lister Centre.

Please see document LA 04-11.11

Standing Orders of the Students' Council

1.
 - a. Meetings will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. (or the designated time on the Agenda).
 - b. A meeting will be cancelled if quorum is not achieved by 6:15 p.m. (or fifteen minutes after the designated time on the Agenda).
2. Oral reports of the Executive shall be limited to five (5) minutes by each Executive Committee member.
3. Question Period shall last for a maximum of one-half (1/2) hour. Question Period may be extended by up to fifteen (15) minutes with the consent of five (5) members of the Students' Council for the first 2 extensions. Further extensions require a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.
4. For any item, any member may speak once; a second or subsequent time if there is no councilor who is waiting to speak for the first time.
5. There shall be no smoking in Students' Council Chambers.
6.
 - a. Any member of Students' Council may submit motions to be considered by Students' Council.
 - b. All reports, motions, and supporting documentation must be submitted to the Executive Assistant by 12:00 Noon on the Wednesday preceding the Students' Council meeting in order to be included in the printed Agenda package of a Students' Council meeting.
7. Students' Council Agenda material shall be published/distributed by 4:30 p.m. on the Friday preceding a Students' Council meeting.
8. The Speaker shall notify the President, Students' Council, and the relevant faculty association of the removal of any Council member who has been absent for three (3) consecutive or five (5) aggregate meetings.
9. Council meetings will automatically adjourn at 9:00 p.m. (or three hours after commencement), except where a two-thirds (2/3) majority of Council members present to decide to extend a meeting beyond this time period. Extensions shall be limited to a maximum of one (1) hour, and subsequent extensions may be granted upon a further two-thirds (2/3) majority vote.
10. Attendance at Board meeting is as important as attendance at Students' Council meetings. Therefore, any voting member of Board who misses three (3) consecutive meetings or five (5) aggregate meetings is liable to suspension. Such

suspension would take effect upon a motion to that effect being passed at Board level. Such motions should be reported by the appropriate Vice-President at the next meeting of Students' Council.

11. Students' Council may debate a motion international in nature only if one-half (1/2) of Council agrees to debate the issue. Any Councillor(s) may request on a motion an "international issues" point of order. The procedure shall be as follows:

The Speaker shall ask: "Is the motion international in nature?"

- a. If a majority agrees, the second question shall be asked: "Shall the motion be debated?"
The motion shall be debated as an international issue only if one-half (1/2) affirmative vote is obtained.
- b. If a majority do not agree, the motion shall be debated as a regular motion.

12. A member of Students' Council may not call Question at the same time as he/she speaks to a motion.
13. Having been Called to Order, the first item of businesses shall be the singing of the national anthem, *O Canada*. Members may choose to sing the lyrics in French or English.
14. Following the singing of *O Canada*, Students' Council shall sing the *University of Alberta Cheer Song*.
15. A roll call vote will be taken if requested by five (5) voting members of Students' Council.

Report to Students' Council, September 14, 2004

Lisa McLaughlin, Vice-President (Academic)

For period August 20 - September 9, 2004

An Ode to Summer Calm

*Wherefore art thou summer calm?
Thou hast drifted from my life so soon
An' left in its rippling wake
A storm of frenzy that will soon send me to ruin.*

Ah yes, the serenity and slow-paced lifestyle of summer has come and gone so quickly, and now I am learning how one's life can be turned upside-down in no time at all. It's amazing how relative everything is (read: I thought summer was busy!). And it's amazing just how quickly the schedule can fill up in a matter of days! At least my schedule is very colourful...

Okay - down to business. Here is a recap of my activities over the past three (3!) weeks:

Council of Faculty Associations Retreat

Overall, we had fewer attendees than we would have liked, but the quality of the presentations was good and people indicated that they gained information from the day to take back to their Faculty Associations. The AVPA and I have done an evaluation of the day and will document the successes and failures of this event for future years. Kudos to the AVPA for doing a fantastic job with the logistics, communicating with FAs, and really running the show!

Students' Union Undergraduate Survey 2004

We have received ethical approval to do a pilot survey and are awaiting responses from our partner groups indicating which questions they will allow to be cut back, as the completion time is still much too long. We will pilot later this week, make revisions to the survey, submit a request for final ethical approval, send the final survey to CNS for design into optical scanning format, and then carry on with the survey administration process by early October. Slowly, but surely...

University Policy and Information Officer interviews and hiring

I am pleased to announce that Cassandra Brown has joined the A-Team (A for Academics) as the new University Policy and Information Officer. I am looking forward to developing this new position and seeing what it is capable of within the Academic portfolio.

Events

Information Services training - Exec introductions and brief overview of portfolio and goals

Orientation

Volunteer training - Exec introductions, cheering, and having 400+ volunteers sing Happy Birthday to me while on stage (Jordan's idea)

Hosted the Pit Stop for 1 hour on each of the two days of Orientation

Closing session - Exec gave introductions and brief speeches

Gateway "Whine and Cheeze" - Toured the office, met the staff and volunteers, ate some great food, and had some nice chats

Transitions 2004 (International Student Orientation)

SU rep on Student Academic Responsibilities Panel - Students reviewed example cases of academic dishonesty or other academic problems they may encounter and were asked to identify the problems and how they should act in the situations. The panel provided supplementary information and advice and helped students understand resources/services available to them and the appropriate courses of action that would prevent major problems, such as being charged with plagiarism.

WOW

Pancake breakfast

A bit of Wide Mouth Mason and the Sleeping Bag Drive-In

Celebration of Teaching and Learning

Celebrating Unity @ Augustana Faculty in Camrose, Alberta - Listened to speeches from the U of A President, Chair of the Board of Governors, the Lieutenant Governor, Minister Hancock, and numerous other important people. Met two members of the Augustana Students' Association and had a brief look around the campus.

MiscellaneousLunch with Ed Blackburn, a member of GFC Exec

A meeting to help me better understand what GFC Exec does, how it works, past and future issues, etc.

Coffee x 2 with Dr. Carl Betke, Director of Strategic Analysis

I have been meeting with Dr. Betke to discuss the University's strategic planning and academic planning process, the National Survey on Student Engagement, which the U of A participated in this year, and my own Academic Survey.

Executive MattersExecutive Retreat

A good chance to reflect, discuss and think.

Meetings

- Administrative Information Systems Steering Committee (AISSC)
- Academic Standards Committee Subcommittee on Standards (ASC SOS)
- GFC Committee on the Learning Environment subcommittee on the First Year Learning Experience (GFC CLE FYLE)
- GFC Executive (GFC Exec)

Other things I'm spending some time on:

- 24 hour operation of SUB
What: Stemmed out of discussion at GFC Exec - looking into costs of keeping SUB and/or CAB open 24 hours year-round.
- CNS modem pool
What: Rumours of discontinuation of modem pool service, a free service allowing students, faculty, and staff to access the Internet via dial-up, as of October 1, 2004. I have been working with CNS to examine alternatives to ceasing to offer this service and to obtain usage statistics so I can better understand the impact. CNS has agreed that it will not be discontinuing the service for students at this time, but may need to start charging a small fee beginning January 1, 2005 on a cost-recovery basis. Details and communication to students are being worked out.
- GFC by-elections
What: Working with the CRO on a by-election to fill 19 seats on GFC. We have discussed advertising and recruitment strategies and how best to run an election at Augustana.
- Bear Scat
What: In the process of resolving an outstanding issue from 2003-04 regarding the way Bear Scat collects information from Bear Tracks. Also resolving an issue regarding the posting of textbook price comparisons on Bear Scat and SU's involvement in referral programs for Amazon.ca and Chapters.Indigo.ca.
- SU Survey
Always on the go...
- Academic Survey
What: Meeting with Academic Technologies for Learning this week to discuss process for identifying academic-related issues and the purpose of the survey. Meeting with representative from Office of the VP (Research) to discuss possible inclusion of research-related questions on the survey.

Upcoming:

- Convocation Committee
- AAB - Sept 20 @ LLMR
- COFA - Sept 21 @ TBD
- GFCSC orientation - Sept 25 @ TBD
- Meetings with key people to discuss the Academic Survey, Bear Scat, etc.
- Meeting with Augustana Transition Coordinator and UASU Exec
- Young Leaders Dialogue Series
- GFC APC
- GFC ASC
- GFC - Sept 27 @ Council Chambers

**Duncan Taylor – Vice President Student Life
Council Report September 14th**

WoW: Despite being thrown every possible curve ball in the damn books, WoW went off pretty well. We packed the plant on our plant nights, we outsold last year's concert over our 3 and we managed to move 4 months of WoW planning inside in two hours. Even with the weather, we managed to move our info tents, beer gardens, quad activities inside, and even got away with showing some movies on SUB stage. Big thanks go out to Steve, Christine, Tyler and all of WoW planning committee for the endless hours they put in to making sure this event went off well, and for putting up with me over the past few weeks.

Bar Revitalization: Had another meeting to determine what is still outstanding and what we need to do about it.

Molson Sponsorship Gong Show: See my response to Councilor Samuel's Question. Long story short, Molson made demands on us that we were unwilling to make and we were forced to change our sponsorship for our major activities last Wednesday.

Orientation: Met many new students. Spoke at President's Address. Huzzah.

SIC: Almost done design, will be printed shortly and expect to hand out first ones at Orientation Volunteer Appreciation Party.

Interviews with Gateway: About Molson, Student Drinking Habits and the Bar Revitalization Plan.

CFB Meeting: Discussed potential expansion of CFB Board members as well as whether the SU and GSA should be allowed to hold the chair.

Exec Retreat: Met at GM's place, had a chance to go over goals for the year and talk about our progress up until now.

Up and Coming!

Senate Beyond These Halls Awards.

WUSC Meeting

TRAC

WHPC

Hey, hey baby. (Ooh! Ah!) I want to know-oh-oh-oh if you'll be my girl. 2! 3! 4! 5! 6! 7! 8!

Report to Students' Council
August 24, 2004
Alvin Law – Vice President (Operations & Finance)

Snow, snow.... Why's there gotta be snow? Especially in September.... During WOW.... Big thanks to all the Orientation volunteers and staff who made Orientation 2004 truly awesome! I had more fun that weekend than I have ever had since starting this job. Fond memories I tell ya, fond memories. What do you do if its orange?

Access Fund: We had our second Access Fund Board meeting of the year on Sept 8th. It was relieving to achieve quorum since we didn't get it last time. Thus we had a pile of unfinished business that we needed to deal with. The meeting was scheduled into a very busy week for a lot of us and I would like to thank everyone who showed up. We dealt with many issues that would guide where we are going to head this year with the Access Fund. Some changes that are going to take effect are:

- 1) The Access Fund will allow Minimum Monthly Payments up to a limit of \$40/month providing the student can demonstrate to the interviewers satisfaction that the debt was used to cover legitimate academic or living costs that have accrued while registered at the U of A
- 2) The Access Fund living allowances will match those in the annual Canada Student Loans chart
- 3) Maximum yearly bursary will be increased from \$2500 to \$3000

APIRG: Attended two APIRG meetings lately. The first was an APIRG Annual General Meeting held in the Education building. With a late start of 7pm, it was a stark contrast to the early 4pm starts of summer. At this meeting we talked about forming and drafting an Honoraria policy for working groups and went through possible negative situations and what we could do to negate them. We also touched on an attendance policy for the reasons that APIRG has been having trouble reaching quorum at board meetings. It is interesting to watch this progress seeing what SU Council just went through. Talked about redesigning the APIRG office, got an update on what staff have been up to. APIRG was introduced to their new Board Coordinator, Monica who was hired as staff. Updates for working groups were given, finances were updated by Rose, and the final budget for APIRG should be approved by the board at the first meeting after the Board Retreat. An update was also given on where PIRGalooza is and how plans are coming for that. PIRGalooza is to take place the week after SU's WOW and will feature events such as Open Mike, and events with Kinnie Starr, iHuman, Julia Bouchier, and Eshod Ibn Wyza. At the second APRIG meeting which took place, the board discussed a collaboration with the Alberta Council for Global Cooperation to host a development speaker event featuring Duff Conacher and

Aaron Freeman. We also talked about renewing APIRG's insurance and what courses of action can be taken since their current provider has stopped insuring non-profit organization. Activities and goals for the Board Retreat were also discussed and updates were given on office redesign.

Bar Revitalization: With the start of school now upon us, some results of Bar Revit have become visible. It must be understood that this is an ongoing process that does not end now that students are back. Along with ongoing changes, we are also putting into effect many controls that will monitor our progress throughout the next few months. One example of this is Prime Controls. This system has taken a huge bite out of our revitalization budget, yet it was a very necessary component of our revitalization. This is a system that measures precisely how much is dispensed from each tap and at what times. From this information, we can observe the relation between sales volumes and liquid dispensed and can make decisions as required. This will allow us to monitor the ever so important spillage rates and take action upon them. This complements a new sales reporting structure that would be able to break down sales into different times of the day so we can precisely monitor the business. I would like to thank all the Orientation volunteers and students who came out and enjoyed a nice test run of the Powerplant on Tuesday Sept 7, 04. It was amazing to see all the volunteers enjoying the new facility and to see every table of the back area full. The night gave all of us an opportunity to test out the Powerplant before our big launch on Friday Sept 17, 04. I am glad that almost all of the feedback I have received thus far has been positive. I had one person who approached me with negative perceptions about the change to the main floor area in front of the stage. However, he was quite happy after he learned that the dance area exists only on Thursday and Friday nights and is converted back to table seating the rest of the time. We are still working on some details for the first phase of the project so I ask for your patience and feedback as we enter the next few weeks. Also after several hours of interviewing, I would like to welcome our new night manger, Derek, to the Students' Union.

Budget Committee: Met with the budget committee twice the past few weeks. First time was to discuss meal card budget revisions and deal with a time sensitive budget transfer. I also gave the budget committee profit and loss statements for the past three months. The second meeting was for going over the revised budgets for the meal card as well as looking through the finances of several DFU's prior to releasing the fees in October.

Dedicated Fee Unit Committee: We had our first DFUC meeting where we discussed many of the logistical issues regarding the committee and set out a direction on where the committee was headed. Councilor Knisely was elected as chair.

Exec Retreat: Our exec had a retreat on Monday, August 30th where we had a time to review our goals and update each other on how the job has been thus far. It was a very revealing session for myself as I came to grips with how this job has affected my life. The constant barrage of stress at this job has been something that I did not expect. Coming from the Engineering program, I had felt confident that I would be able to tackle this year and yet, I often find myself yearning to become a regular student again. The last few months have proven to be an amazing challenge that is made all that much harder by my constant fear of poor performance. I have been and have always been focused on effecting changes for the students who I feel the SU has been disconnected from in the past. The students who are not very vocal but yet still care very much about what the Students' Union does and how we can positively affect their quality of life. I feel that very often students do not stay on campus for extracurricular activities because it doesn't interest them, or the more common reason that they don't know about them. I feel that too often, we are neglecting these students and I am trying very hard to fill that gap. In my eyes, we need to do more to reach out to these students because I know first hand how much a life can change by getting involved. I too was formerly a student who did not get exposed to all this campus had to offer. I felt how irrelevant the SU had been for some students, hence my drive to change this. I ask for the understanding of all of you that I may not be the most familiar with bylaws, and that I will make mistakes, but please help me learn from my mistakes and approach me face to face so we can fix things instead of running into frustrations. With these steps, we can hopefully build a professional, useful, student oriented organization that is relevant to the majority of people, and not just a select few.

Information Services: I had the great opportunity to meet all the wonderful new Info Serv staff on the weekend. Myself, along with the other exec did a talk about what we do and welcomed the new staff to the Students' Union.

Coming Up

Since some of you seem to be interested in what is coming up, I've decided to add a new section.

- Gateway Meeting
- APIRG Retreat
- Interviews with Gateway
- FACRA Meeting
- Beyond These Halls (Alumni Association)

Councilor Samuel is correct insomuch as no final agreement was signed between the two parties, however the nature of the Molson fiasco is slightly more complicated than 'Molson failed to honour a verbal agreement'.

Last year, the SU sent out a Request for Proposals for sponsorship agreements, Molson submitted a written proposal, which was essentially what we agreed to go with, and a two-year agreement was finalized in July of 2003. No share of bar volumes was ever discussed. Since that time, both parties (up until recently) have acted as if an agreement has been in place with the SU featuring the Molson logo on promotional material for Orientation, AntiFreeze and Week of Welcome, and Molson providing their agreement by supplying banners, their logos, and prizing.

In February, the SU requested that a formal agreement be signed, which Molson declined to do until such time as their Lawyers had made sure it was AGLC compliant. The first indication that the SU had that Molson was dissatisfied with the agreement of last year was in May of 2004 when we received notice that Molson was displeased with the current agreement as well as the performance with the performance of their product in our bars and wished to incorporate bar sales with sponsorship agreements, which we insisted (as it has always been the case), remain separate. The SU agreed to further negotiations aimed at improving Molson's bar performance in exchange for more year-round bar support from them. However, we stressed the need for Molson to meet its financial responsibility on sponsorship (totaling an excess of \$30,000) to the SU including a responsible use campaign (the bulk of which is still owing) in our response in August.

On September 1st the SU received a Molson offer which cut Molson's sponsorship contribution by over 50% on the level stated in their 2003 written proposal and = made any SU sponsorship contingent on Molson sales at SU businesses. It was at this point that we realized that Molson was not intending to pay any outstanding sums from 03-04. We replied that the core of issues were that 1) Molson recognize the agreement already in place and complete their responsibilities to it, and 2) That any agreement between the SU and Molson concerning bar volumes had to provide for increased year round support from Molson. Molson rejected both of these and the SU was forced to seek alternative sponsorship via Labatt.

September 13, 2004 Budget Committee Report

MOTION BY SMITH/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee that the 04/05 operating budget be revised to include the impact of the meal card as shown in the document.

MOTION BY SAMUEL/PANDYA, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee that the Students' Union release the fees collected on behalf of APIRG be released to APIRG as they become available.

MOTION BY SMITH/BAZIN, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee that the Students' Union release the fees collected on behalf of the Gateway Student Journalism Society be released to the GSJS as they become available.

MOTION BY SAMUEL/SMITH, RESOLVED THAT upon the recommendation of the Budget Committee that the Students' Union release the fees collected on behalf of FACRA be released to FACRA as they become available.

UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA STUDENTS' UNION

2004/05 OPERATING, CAPITAL & NON-DEDICATED RESERVES BUDGET - FINAL

Dept #	Department Name	Revenue	Expenditures	Net
400	General Administration	\$1,799,223	\$591,990	\$1,207,232
402	Office Administration	\$26,780	\$559,770	(\$532,990)
411	Facilities & Operations	\$1,224,139	\$894,362	\$329,777
425	Research	\$0	\$88,004	(\$88,004)
500	President/Executive Support	\$60,000	\$203,039	(\$143,039)
505	Students' Council	\$0	\$20,942	(\$20,942)
509	Elections & Referenda	\$0	\$59,054	(\$59,054)
518	Awards Night	\$0	\$22,652	(\$22,652)
519	Academic Affairs	\$0	\$60,391	(\$60,391)
520	Operations & Finance	\$0	\$27,426	(\$27,426)
521	External Affairs	\$3,000	\$90,324	(\$87,324)
523	Student Life	\$0	\$47,337	(\$47,337)
532	Campus Athletics	\$0	\$0	\$0
600	Services Manager	\$0	\$60,708	(\$60,708)
605	SFAIC	\$3,936	\$137,354	(\$133,418)
610	Ombudservice	\$0	\$44,649	(\$44,649)
611	Centre for Student Development	\$268,753	\$317,185	(\$48,432)
612	Student Distress Centre	\$0	\$37,802	(\$37,802)
616	Information Services	\$52,297	\$151,175	(\$98,878)
624	Student Group Services	\$18,400	\$80,547	(\$62,147)
646	Safewalk	\$0	\$39,328	(\$39,328)
650	Food Bank	\$12,335	\$30,756	(\$18,421)
655	ECOS	\$0	\$36,364	(\$36,364)
555	Student Communications	\$0	\$59,706	(\$59,706)
640	Marketing	\$22,410	\$137,690	(\$115,280)
644	Handbook	\$97,800	\$111,337	(\$13,537)
712	SUB Programming	\$20,160	\$20,035	\$125
713	Alternative Programming	\$51,604	\$60,356	(\$8,752)
714	WOW	\$106,550	\$106,613	(\$63)
760	External Entertainment	\$75,075	\$78,918	(\$3,843)
765	Antifreeze	\$16,150	\$17,666	(\$1,516)
750	Dinwoodie Lounge	\$250,710	\$220,462	\$30,248
755	Myer Horowitz	\$185,885	\$173,989	\$11,896
800	SUBMart	\$456,048	\$365,383	\$90,665
810	SUBTitles	\$525,040	\$426,180	\$98,860
815	Print Centre	\$719,170	\$655,181	\$63,989
821	Cue	\$43,385	\$43,853	(\$468)
825	Post Office	\$485,302	\$424,600	\$60,702
832	RATT	\$439,207	\$410,860	\$28,347
835	L'Express	\$484,782	\$450,399	\$34,383
836	Catering	\$54,531	\$39,370	\$15,161
837	Cram Dunk	\$252,374	\$231,694	\$20,680
838	Powerplant	\$1,360,930	\$1,338,339	\$22,591
	Operating Before Capital	\$9,115,976	\$8,973,790	\$142,186
910	Capital Reserve	\$120,848	\$ 221,181	(\$100,333)
	Total Operating & Capital			
911	Contingency Reserve	\$0	\$30,000	(\$30,000)
912	Project Reserve	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
	Total Op., Capital & Non Dedicated Reserve	\$9,286,824	\$9,274,971	\$11,853

Student Life Board Interim Report on Undergraduate Health Care Plan

On the June 1st meeting of Students' Council, the Student Life Board was directed by council to "investigate the implications, feasibility and desirability of the implementation of an Undergraduate Student Health Care Plan", and provide an interim report to council no later than September 18th 2004. The following is the aforementioned interim report, submitted for the interest of Student Council.

June 9th

On June 9th, Student Life Board met and the Vice President (Student Life) introduced council's order and the history of health plans on campus, as well as some of the areas covered in the health plans provided at other universities. Student Life Board was then asked to provide a list of services to be cross referenced with previous Requests For Proposals in order to create an updated RFP for the student population of 2004-2005. This list included e contraception, out of province coverage, optometry, allergy (non OTC), ambulance or hospital stay, filling of prescription drugs, physiotherapy, specialist visits, vaccinations, massage therapy, claim limits per term/year, X-rays, MRIs, handicap devices (wheelchairs, walkers, canes).

Reference: SLB-06-09-M

July 14, 2004

On July 14th, a letter, drafted by the GM, Vice President (Student Life) and Vice President (Operations and Finance) was sent out by the GM, Bill Smith to four national health Plan providers, Gallivan & Associates, Studentcare Networks, Campus Trust and Campbell & Company Insurance Consultance Ltd. The letter outlined the desire of the UASU to explore the "feasibility and desirability of conducting a health (and possible Dental) plan. The letter outlined a timeline for the project which had been constructed by the VPSL and GM and asked a number of questions regarding their thoughts on what kind of coverage the UASU would require and what should be included in any RFP. The deadline for responses was listed as July 16th 2004, after which time a RFP would be finalized. All four companies replied to this letter.

(See attached)

August 18th, 2004

On August 18th, a final Request for Proposals was sent out with a deadline of Noon, MST on September 24th 2004. The RFP incorporated information from the June 9th meeting of SLB as well as the responses received from the July 14th letter, and was based on the format of RFPs from the previous attempts at a UASU health plan.

(Available on request)

The rest of the timeline looks as such:

Deadline for Requests for Proposals: September 24th

SU reps visit and meet with providers: Week of October 25th

Final Recommendation to Council: December 7th

Proposed Referendum Question to Council: January 18th 2005

Final Council Approval of referendum question: February 1st 2005

July 14, 2004

Campbell & Company Insurance Consultants Ltd.
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For the Attention of Mr. Jeff Ische

Dear Jeff,

With the approval of our Student Council, the 2004-05 Executive of the University of Alberta Students' Union will be exploring the feasibility and desirability of conducting a Health (and possibly Dental) Plan referendum this year. As one of our potential partners, we would like to provide you with an overview of our intended process and timeline, and ask you a few initial questions.

The recommendation regarding a Plan for our (approximately) 29,000 undergraduate students must be made to our Students' Council during the first week of December. This recommendation will cover broker/consultant selection, Plan design, the necessary student fee, the referendum question and process, and any other factors of material importance.

Our assessment of potential broker/consultant partners will be based on a Request For Proposals (RFP) which we will circulate during the week commencing Monday, August 16, 2004. As we appreciate that the back-to-school period is as busy for you as it is for us, responses to this RFP will not be due until Friday, September 24, 2004. In addition to the RFP, we will be surveying a number of other schools regarding their Plan and the performance of their broker/consultant.

Following our initial review of the RFP and survey responses, two or three representatives of the Students' Union will visit each broker/consultant during the week commencing October 25, 2004 to discuss its RFP response and seek clarification where necessary. During this visit stage we will be discussing Plan design and service, and adding to our perceptions of each potential broker/consultant's ability to become an effective partner for our organization.

After we have completed the initial review of the RFP and survey responses and conducted the subsequent visits, we will complete our review process - finalizing the details around Plan design and administrative/accounting methods, and selecting our broker/consultant. We would expect to notify all short-listed organizations of our decision by mid-November. The referendum, if Student Council decides to pursue one, will take place in late-February/early-March.

Having provided you with an overview of our intended process and timeline, I would like to request some initial input so that we can finalize our RFP. While we would like to provide all potential partners with the opportunity to stamp their own personality on their RFP responses, we want to see those responses follow a standardized format and similar parameters regarding Plan design and administrative/accounting approaches. Accordingly, we would appreciate your responses to the following questions:

1. What types and levels of coverage would you recommend:
 - a) for adequate, suitable and affordable Health coverage?
 - b) for adequate, suitable and affordable Dental coverage?
2. Do you feel that it would be best to initially pursue a Health Plan only or a combined Health and Dental Plan?
3. What Plan Accounting method(s) would you recommend?
4. How would you categorize the key cost components we need to consider in the evaluation of the responses to our Request For Proposals?
5. What kinds of administrative support do you regard as crucial for the effective operation of a student health plan:
 - a) for student users?
 - b) for the overall administration and management of the Plan?
6. What other Plan design factors or characteristics do you regard as important to success?
7. What do you perceive to be the key factors in determining the effectiveness and suitability of a broker/consultant?
8. Do you wish to offer any other comments or observations that could help us to construct an effective RFP?

Please rest assured that the responses you provide to these questions will be treated in the strictest confidence. We will not, under any circumstances, share one broker's response with any other broker, and we will use these responses only to help us crystallize our own thinking in key areas for incorporation in the RFP.

After we have received your responses to the above questions, which should be provided to us by no later than Noon (Mountain Time) on Monday, July 26, 2004, we will finalize our RFP. That document will then be circulated to interested parties in accordance with the timelines set out above. If we have not received a response from you by the above date we will assume that you do not wish to pursue this opportunity.

In order that we may be sure you have received this letter, please e-mail me at bill.smith@su.ualberta.ca to confirm its delivery.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours truly,

W.D. (Bill) Smith

c.c. Duncan Taylor - Vice-President (Student Life)
Alvin Law - Vice-President (Operations & Finance)

This letter has been sent to the following parties, although the Students' Union may opt to include other parties in this process at any point up to the circulation of the Request For Proposals:

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PROPOSED

THE STUDENTS' UNION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ALBERTA

POLITICAL POLICY STATEMENT

<i>Policy Number:</i>	<i>Effective Date: April 8, 2003</i>	<i>Page 1 of 1</i>
	<i>Expiration Date: April 30, 2006</i>	
<i>Responsibility for Policy:</i>	External Affairs Board	
<i>Subject Matter</i>	- <i>Category:</i>	POLITICAL POLICY (GENERAL)
	- <i>Specific:</i>	Board of Governors
	- <i>Topic:</i>	

WHEREAS Boards of Governors are dominated by “public” members;

WHEREAS “public” members are most often represented by members of corporate boards, Chief Executive Officers, and other members of the business sector;

WHEREAS the private sector is integral to Alberta social and economic growth, but is not the only sector worthy of representation on university Boards of Governors;

WHEREAS student or proportion of representation on Boards of Governors is not proportional to the student population on any Alberta university campus;

~~WHEREAS student representation on Boards of Governors is not proportional to student contributions to institutional revenues in the form of tuition;~~

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students’ Union lobby the provincial government for a greater diversity among “public” members on university Boards of Governors;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the University of Alberta Students’ lobby the provincial government to increase undergraduate student representation on Boards of Governors in line with student share of campus population ~~and contribution to institutional revenues.~~

Policy History:

	Reference/Vote	Board/Committee	Date of Council Approval
Created	SC 02-24/12h (27/6/0)	External Affairs Board	April 8, 2003

September 14, 2004

Dear Students' Council,

I would like to express how grateful I am for your support of the plans to expand the Lister Hall and Pembina Hall meal cards to include Students' Union businesses. The news that residents will soon be able to use their meal cards at Power Plant, RATT, Cram Dunk, Subway, Edo Japan, L'Express, Marco's Famous, and Funky Pickle has been met with cheers of joy and sighs of relief, both from Officers and Student-at-Large members of the Lister Hall Students' Association, whenever it is announced. Your financial and logistical assistance, as well as the initiative and careful planning of the Students' Union President and other collaborators, will make a major difference in the lives of students, particularly those here in Lister Hall.

During the past week, during a set of interviews to select student representatives for Lister's discipline boards, an introductory question was asked of interviewees: What is the best part about residence, and what is the part that could be most improved? Despite the wide variety of answers the hiring board received for the first half of the question, the resounding majority of interviewees had the same response to the second half: the food. Though ARAMARK Campus Services is making improvements in the quality and variety of the food they provide in Lister, options remain limited. Health-conscious and vegetarian/vegan choices remain sparse, and second- and third-years students are tired of selecting from among the same meals they've eaten for their entire university careers. Many students make use of the businesses in CAB that accept meal cards, and are delighted to have this option, but the LHSA still receives many comments about the need for greater variety.

The expansion of the meal card service is a step that will benefit each and every one of the 1800 residents that call Lister Hall home. It will also work wonders for the businesses involved, since Lister students will be much more inclined to frequent these on-campus restaurants. It will raise a positive awareness of the Students' Union among Lister students, and may improve overall resident satisfaction within Lister. In short, this plan may seem insignificant to some, but to the students of Lister Hall, it is a groundbreaking move.

Thank you,

Karen Ross

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Re. Letter of Support for Meal Card Expansion
Attn. Students' Council

Dear Council Members,

My name is Lisa Dockman and I am the 2004-05 Food Ombudsperson for Lister Centre. It is my responsibility to ensure that the concerns, questions and comments in regards to food and food services of Lister Center Residents are heard. My ultimate goal is to ensure that all 1800 residents of Lister Centre are able to have a positive residence experience.

The purpose of this letter is to show support for the expansion of the Meal Card program to include many Students Union businesses. Due to the nature of my position, I can speak on behalf of the majority of Lister residents. Lister residents are ecstatic about this expansion of the Meal Card.

I have talked to many students and they have all reacted with enthusiasm and appreciation towards the upcoming additions. Many students expressed that they will definitely visit SU businesses more often. A lot of residents are excited to have a larger selection of locations on campus. This is of a huge advantage to them because of convenience and how close these businesses are to home. In addition I know that many people love the quality of food/beverages that are served at SU run businesses.

It is often hard to plan events that include every person on a floor. As you may know, the purchase of a Meal Plan is mandatory for every Lister resident. This means that events and programs that take place where Meal Card are accepted are completely inclusive. As a former Floor Coordinator, and on behalf of many Student Leaders in Lister, the ability to take a floor to a Meal Card accessible Location is priceless.

For all of these reasons, and more, I would like to state my full support of this expansion. On behalf of Lister residents, this meal cad expansion is a fantastic idea and a wonderful addition.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Students' Council for approving the expenditure to allow the upcoming Meal Card expansion. This decision is a direct representation of the interests of nearly every resident. I really appreciate that you are supporting something that will directly benefit so many Lister residents. I do hope that you realize how much the approval of this expansion is valued.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

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